

never swerved, having constantly in mind the character described by the Psalmist as that "sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth not." For more than thirty years he has been an active part in the questions of human freedom and of temperance in their moral, political aspects, and shall not quit the till I shall of this mortal coil.

In the infancy of the anti-slavery cause advocates were cautioned against pressing claims lest the "national issue" of a tariff and a bank should be put in jeopardy. In subsequent period the same caution was temporarily lost as a party who had the cause at heart, but deemed it inexpedient to make the avowed public, should be detected and the disavowal made.

cautions were not heeded, and the result before us. I have been a careful observer of these movements, and of the actors in them, and have taken some notes which, if published, would surprise certain politicians into not bearing the idea of the Psalmist in my heart *have often changed*.

I have believed and still believe that the *only vital political issue* before our nation is and still is HUMAN LIBERTY; freedom from the chain, and from the bottle. To promote these ideal objects has been my constant aim, unwavering determination—and it shall be the end.

In 1855 the Republican party of Maine formed. Its platform consisted of two points: Human Freedom and Prohibition. The year, by a sort of common understanding,

Subsequently it was revived; and the Executive can party has justly had the credit of its revival. The principle ever since; notwithstanding the fact that in 1852, while the rebellion was raging, in order to secure the co-operation of all friends of the Union, a resolution was adopted at a State Convention inviting the aid and patriotic union on the simple basis of the principle characterized the administration of Abraham Lincoln. In maintaining the principle of the Union, and without regard to the principle has been an element of strength.

Prohibition is now a fixed fact, and will cease to be made a party issue. The course its friends will maintain, the principle and defend it if attacked from whatever quarter. In view, however, of the national

of Reconstruction the friends of temperance are disposed to allow. Prohibition is not undisturbed. But if others think it best to change the amended law—passed by the vote of the people—as to render it easier to violation, or more difficult of evasion, cannot perceive where the objection lies. "With a Republican!" I intend to vote Republican twice so long as the party is true to its mission, fully believing that on the success of the principles upon which the platform founded, depends the safety of the nation.

ANOTHER REPUBLICAN.

Varieties.

—It is related of the King of Sweden when at Vichy his Majesty contracted a bad acquaintance with a man of business

high financial and industrial capacity. The King took a fancy to the man and decided to talk about with him. They met in the King's study, and the King, of shape and kind. One morning Charles walked at full length his plans for making railways in Sweden and Norway. Many of the experienced financier evinced some scepticism, and finally burst forth: "Stupid nonsense! What rubbish!"—Then he was short, and added: "I beg your pardon, but the fact is, I am not accustomed to distinguished company." The King, not accustomed to this style of plain speech, said: "Show me a specimen of your company."

"—Charles has evolved, another political catch-phrase, which he calls, "The People's Bet." Democracy is the whale, and the King is the Jonah, and Carlyle describes the user of digression.

The tree was six feet ten inches in diameter and weighed sixty thousand pounds. The concentric circles, which are said to indicate the years, numbered seven hundred and twenty-two. It was a sapling when William the Conqueror died, and a four hundred years when Columbus discovered America.

A pert miss was reading: the parallel the wise and foolish virgins, when she saw I passed and began laughing. "Well, well, they forgot," she asked the teacher enviously, "to tell us the parable of the fig tree." "The fig tree," prompted the teacher, "is the heresene," promptly replied Miss Bree-year old.

"Mr. Charles Dickens," sent out the agent again, with full power to make arrangements for his proposed visit to America next month. Mr. George Dubay arrived Friday in the China and will very soon

Dickens's readings in our principal cities. Boston Advertiser understands that Mr. Dickens can give only a limited number of readings, as he must be back in England next spring, and that this can be his only visit to this country. He intends on his return to England to give a farewell series of readings, and thus close those remarkable entertainments which he has lighted the London public during the last ten years. Mr. Dickens's address is at the publishing house of Messrs. Ticknor & Fields. It is not yet known whether Mr. Dickens will read in New York. In the former city he will occupy the Tremont Temple.

The Paris Rothschilds are said to have made a hundred thousand dollars, in the Bourse, by getting the news of Garibaldi's rout an hour and a half in advance of the

—A man has lately been swindling some people in Hereford, England, who had related this country, by personating said relative. He found no difficulty in making old men believe that he was their "long-lost son," and had borrowed money from them. Finally one of the hoaxed investors on seeing the "swindler" on the arm," and as he could not show that he was sent to jail.

—Old Growler, who went to the Shakspeare hall the other night, says there was less drawback to the perfect enjoyableness of the occasion, and that was the inordinate number of the trains worn by the ladies. When the ladies were moved a serious drawback to the ladies themselves.

—Dr. Timothy Titcomb Holland said the other day in a lecture that women "love husbands best when ruled by them with a sternness." Whether it was the state

—At Cork, Ireland, a gentleman has taken his little son to see the play. The boy was getting old enough to attend service at church, he took him there on duty. Patiently the child sat for a time, fancying that it was time the amusement, he commenced clapping his hands. Horrified his father by shouting with a might at the top of his shrill voice, "What did he rag?" (the usual cry in the Cork towns when an audience consider it time to curtain to rise).

—Some people, remarks the Boston Herald, are so much in the habit of impeaching Mr. Johnson will only be a "soo" impeachment after all. If the country can continue to endure him to the end of his official term he

—As universal a practice as lying is, it is easy enough at times, even if you are a Jew. As I see it, Deen Swift said he did not remember to have heard three good Jews make all his conversation, except those who were most completely in the hands of the money trust in New York City.

The Union (N.Y.) News tells the story of an enterprising genius in Vestal, who has made an old watch for \$1.50 and a jack-knife for five cents; traded the knife for an old gun, the watch and gun for an old white mare, and the mare for five sheep, on one pig-one spring wagon with two wheels and two dollars in money, being worth an old horse five days on the canal.

The London Times has some news from the Abyssinian expedition. It explains why the Abyssinians do not like the English. They say they know how to feel, that in invading Abyssinia we are like a red snout-jug in the dark quite as very

some as that which signifies the geographical and resources of Abyssinia are well ascertained than were those of Afghanistan in 1839, while the political motives for hostilities against it is incalculably weaker.

